

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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TAKAKAZU TANAKA ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 1756
Application No.: 09/832,920)	
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Filed: April 12, 2001)	
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For: ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC)	
PHOTOSENSITIVE	:	
MEMBER, PROCESS)	
CARTRIDGE, AND	•	
ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC)	
APPARATUS	:	

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

DECLARATION UNDER TITLE 37 C.F.R. §1.132

- I, Takakazu Tanaka, declare that:
- 1. I reside at Hanazono-cho 1-4, Numazu-shi, Shizuoka-ken, Japan.
- I have been a Research Scientist at Canon Kabushiki Kaisha since
 I have worked in the area of electrophotographic photosensitive members.
- 3. I have received an undergraduate degree in the Department of Science from Niigata University in 1987 and a graduate degree from Niigata University in 1989.
- 4. I have received a U.S. patent (Patent No. 6,185,398) in my name in the field of electrophotographic photosensitive members.

5. I am an inventor of the subject patent application and am familiar with

the prosecution history of the subject patent application.

6. In the Official Action of December 2, 2002, Paper No. 8, in response to

the Amendment filed September 25, 2002, the Examiner expressed concern that Applicants

had not demonstrated that the tests in the specification Examples were conducted with a

contact charging apparatus. In order to address the Examiner's concern, I unequivocally state

that the laser beam printer LBP-950 apparatus employed in the Examples is a printer which

employs a contact charger and not a corona charger.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true

and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that

these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so

made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the

United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the

application or any patent issued thereon.

Subscribed this 25 day of April, 2003. (Month)

Takahazu Tanaha Takakazu Tanaka

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